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**Re: Oral Ex Parte Presentation
CC Docket No. 96-45**

Dear Madam Secretary:

In accordance with Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR Section 1.1206, this is to provide you with notice of an oral *ex parte* presentation made in connection with the above-captioned proceeding. On Tuesday, December 3, 2002, David LaFuria met with Matthew Brill, Senior Legal Advisor to Commissioner Kathleen Abemathy. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss high cost support for competitive eligible telecommunications carriers and to inquire about the Commission's upcoming universal service agenda.

In accordance with the Commission's rules, two copies of this letter are enclosed for inclusion in the Commission's docket file.

If you have any questions or require any additional information, please contact undersigned counsel directly.

Sincerely,


David A. LaFuria

Enclosures

cc: Matthew Brill, Esq.

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